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Recommended Peach and Nectarine Varieties for Northern Utah

Peaches

VARIETY	HARVEST SEASON	FRUIT AND TREE	REMARKS
COMPACT REDHAVEN	Early	Fruit is same as Redhaven. Except very dense branching habit.	Bud mutation of Redhaven.
CRESTHAVEN	Late	Medium to large fruit. Skin is golden overlaid with red. Firm yellow clear freestone flesh is juicy and resists browning. Holds well on tree. Self-fertile tree of above-average hardiness.	Fruit cans and freezes well.
EARLY ELBERTA (GLEASON)	Midseason	Fruit resembles Elberta with yellow skin and a slight, red blush. Yellow flesh is freestone. Quality is better than Elberta. Relatively cold hardy tree. Less subject to fruit drop.	In my opinion, this is the best canning peach.
GOLDEN JUBILEE	Midseason	Medium to large fruit, oblong and flattened. Skin is mottled bright red. Yellow, freestone flesh is coarse and soft with melting texture, good quality. Tree sets heavily but thins itself. Flowers are small, not very showy.	Average quality for canning and freezing. Fruit drops early from tree.
HALEHAVEN	Midseason	Medium to large fruit. Skin red over greenish yellow, changing to yellow at maturity. Yellow, freestone flesh is juicy and flavorful. Very sweet skin. Tree is vigorous and productive. Medium, nonshowy flowers.	Buds are winter hardy. Excellent home garden variety.
J.H. HALE	Midseason to late.	Large fruit. Skin is yellow blushed with red, little fuzz. Yellow, freestone flesh is stringy. A fine keeper with good flavor and aroma. Tree not vigorous. Needs a pollinizer--any peach except other Hale peaches.	Prized for its large, high-quality fruit. Matures too late for colder regions.
REGINA	Early	Freestone. Fruit size medium with 3/4 surface covered with a bright, attractive, red blush over a yellow ground color. Flesh yellow, texture smooth, firm but melting. Productive tree, though sets less than Redhaven.	Attractive fruit with good flavor.
EARLIHALE	Midseason	Freestone peach with large fruit which ships well. Yellow flesh with good flavor. Ripens two weeks ahead of J.H. Hale but similar in other ways.	Requires a pollinizer.
JULY ELBERTA (KIM ELBERTA)	Midseason	Fruit is medium and round. Skin has dull, red streaks over greenish yellow. Yellow, freestone flesh is firm and fine grained. Good flavor and prolific bearer. Needs extra thinning. Medium-size, nonshowy flowers.	Developed by Luther Burbank. Good fresh or canned.
REDHAVEN	Early to	Medium fruit. Skin is brilliant red over yellow. Flesh is yellow,	Adapted to cold climates.

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	midseason	semifreestone. Juicy, sweet and fine grained. Vigorous and spreading tree. Medium size, nonshowy flowers have red petals.	Often requires heavy thinning. Superior quality for freezing.
REDSKIN	Midseason	Medium fruit. Yellow skin has abundant, deep red blush. Firm, slightly fibrous flesh is yellow, freestone. Nonbrowning. Excellent quality. Tree is spreading, vigorous, very productive. Early-blooming with showy pink petals.	Fruit keeps well. Tree resistant to bacterial spot. Use fresh, canned or frozen.
RELIANCE	Early to midseason	Medium fruit. Skin is dark red over yellow. Flesh is firm, yellow, freestone. Flavor is good. Tree is very hardy. Productive and self-fertile. Show bloom.	Use in home gardens in cold areas as tree is more hardy.
GLOHAVEN	Midseason	Freestone. Fruits large, nearly round with a highly colored skin. Practically fuzzless. Yellow, firm flesh and a pleasant flavor. Its canning and freezing qualities are superior. Moderately hardy buds.	May suffer spring frost damage when others don't.
JOHNSON ELBERTA	Midseason	Freestone. A few days ahead of Early Improved Elberta. Fruit resembles the standard Elberta- yellow flesh of good flavor and quality with a red cheek over a yellow ground color. Originated in Utah.	Skin is redder but otherwise similar to other early Elbertas.
ANGELUS	Late	Freestone. Large firm peach. Fruit a bright red over yellow undercolor. Vigorous. Good shipper. Higher coloring and better keeper than J.H. Hale.	Ripen just before J.H. Hale. Very attractive fruit.
O'HENRY	Late	Freestone. Large. Ground color is a medium yellow-green with a nice red blush over top. Flesh is firm with high sugar content.	Ripens very late so may not miss fall frosts.
SUGAR LADY	Early	New variety white peach sweet mild flavor with dark red skin. Worth trying a tree.	White peach that may be hardy in our area.
SUNCREST	Midseason	Fruit large and round. Skin is bright red over yellow. Yellow, firm, melting flavor is freestone with good texture. Tree is vigorous and productive. Large flowers.	Good flavor for fresh use or canning.

NECTARINES

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FLAVORTOP	Midseason	Large fruit. Skin red with yellow speckles. Flesh is golden yellow streaked with red. Freestone, firm, juicy with excellent flavor. Vigorous and productive tree.	Showy flowers
GOLD MINE	Late	Large fruit. Skin is red blushed over white. White, freestone flesh has good flavor. Tree is vigorous and productive.	Low chilling requirement.
INDEPENDENCE	Midseason	Fruit medium to large. Cherry-red skin. Yellow, freestone flesh is firm, never softens. Good flavor. Moderately vigorous and productive tree.	Showy flowers. Tolerates warm winters.
STARK DELICIOUS	Midseason	Nectarine has a bright red fuzzless skin, sunny-gold flesh for fresh eating. Bearing tree fruit the second year after planting.	Large fruit if thinned well.
DOUBLE DELIGHT	Midseason	New yellow freestone show double pink flowers dark red skinned fruit.	New variety; worth a try.
REDGOLD	Late	Freestone. High quality fruit with a glossy, clear red color. Firm, yellow flesh with good shelf life. Fruit does not tend to crack and is good sized if properly thinned.	Buds are hardy.
MERICREST	Midseason	New cold hardy; originated in New Hampshire. Freestone with full red color.	Worth trying in our area.
FANTASIA	Midseason	Large, yellow fleshed, firm freestone fruit. Red color on 2/3 of fruit.	Ripens just before Early Elberta.

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